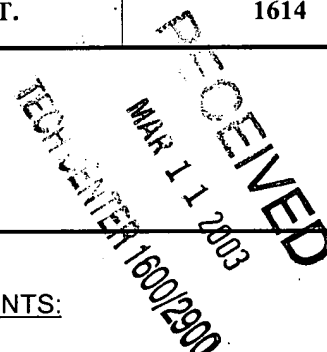
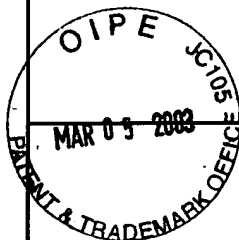


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)

Docket No. **PL**
31927 **3/21/03**
In Re Application Of: **MESSADEK, Jallal**
Serial No.
09/945,391

Filing Date
August 31, 2001

Examiner
OSTRUP, Clinton T.

Group Art Unit
1614
Invention: **GLYCINE BETAINE AND ITS USE**TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of November 5, 2002 in the above-identified application.

Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☒ Three months ☐ Four months ☐ Five months
from: December 5, 2002

Date

until: March 5, 2003

Date

Applicant claims the benefit of Small Entity Status pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.27
 A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

- ☐ is enclosed.
☐ has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is **\$465** and is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. **19-0522**
 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
☐ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. **19-0522** A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Dated: **March 5, 2003**

Thomas H. Van Hoozer
 Signature
Thomas H. Van Hoozer, Reg. No. 32,761
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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

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